



CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF  
FOOD & AGRICULTURE

Karen Ross, Secretary

April 16, 2021  
New

Permit No. QC 1558

## **PERMIT FOR THE SHIPMENT OF COTTON SEED PRODUCED IN LOUISIANA FOR USE AS FEED OR FERTILIZER IN CALIFORNIA**

Under authority of Section 3154 (Secretary May Issue Special Permits) of Title 3, California Code of Regulations, permission is hereby granted to the Louisiana Department of Agriculture & Forestry (LDAF) to authorize firms to ship to California untreated cottonseed that was grown in Louisiana, which otherwise would be prohibited entry into California under the requirements of Section 3254, Cotton Pests Exterior Quarantine, under the following conditions:

### LDAF shall ensure that:

1. Shippers may only be approved if they are under a compliance agreement with LDAF to ship cottonseed that has been authorized by this permit and to adhere to the requirements of this permit.
2. Prior to commencement of shipping, LDAF shall confirm by email to the CDFA's Permits and Regulations Unit a list of approved mills, annually, that hold a valid feed license and will adhere to conditions of this permit, at [permits@cdfa.ca.gov](mailto:permits@cdfa.ca.gov).
3. Prior to commencement of shipping, LDAF shall confirm by email to the CDFA's Permits and Regulations Unit a list of approved shippers, annually, at [permits@cdfa.ca.gov](mailto:permits@cdfa.ca.gov).
4. LDAF shall monitor shippers to ensure that the conditions of this permit are met. Supervision shall include on-site inspections and review of cottonseed receipts and shipment records.
5. All approved shippers must maintain records of the growing origin and date of receipt for all cottonseed received.
6. There shall be no commingling of cottonseed produced in Louisiana with cottonseed produced in any other state.
7. Louisiana shall maintain its Boll Weevil Quarantine and an active Boll Weevil Eradication Project as necessary to maintain the state free from cotton boll weevil.



8. If a boll weevil is trapped anywhere in Louisiana, the CDFA's Permits and Regulations Unit shall be notified within three days of the find: [permits@cdfa.ca.gov](mailto:permits@cdfa.ca.gov)
9. Prior to shipping season, the LDAF shall submit trapping data for review to the CDFA: [permits@cdfa.ca.gov](mailto:permits@cdfa.ca.gov)
10. The CDFA reserves the right to amend this permit at any time.
11. Each shipment shall be accompanied by a certificate issued by an authorized representative of LDAF affirming that the shipment meets the requirements of California Permit No. QC 1558 for cotton boll weevil. In lieu of a paper certificate, a sticker or stamp-type certificate may be used with the following format:

Louisiana Origin Cottonseed. Shipments  
from Louisiana are valid until April 30, 2022  
Under Authority of Permit No. QC 1558 for Cotton Boll Weevil.  
Approved by the Louisiana Department of Agriculture & Forestry.

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(signature)

Authorized Representative

12. Cottonseed products destined to California for feed shall be accompanied by a Movement Certificate (513-074) and an Aflatoxin Certification indicating that the aflatoxin ratio is less than 20 parts per billion.
13. Should any federal regulations be applicable, all cottonseed shipped must also be in compliance with those regulations.
14. All cottonseed shipped to California under this permit is subject to inspection upon arrival in California.
15. Any shipment of cottonseed found to be infested with boll weevil or improperly certified shall be rejected in accordance with California laws and the shipper suspended until CDFA, in consultation with LDAF, determines the nature of the violations involved and is satisfied with the resolution of the violation(s).
16. LDAF shall notify CDFA permits & regulations via email ([permits@cdfa.ca.gov](mailto:permits@cdfa.ca.gov)) of any violations, suspected or known, of this permit brought to the attention of the LDAF by any party to enable a cooperative investigation or other appropriate action.

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Violation of any of the conditions of this permit, or the detection of any serious live plant pest in any shipment authorized by this permit, shall be sufficient cause for immediate revocation of this permit and destruction of the seeds, or return of the seeds to origin at the expense of the shipper.

Unless earlier revoked, this permit is valid through April 30, 2022.

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